

West Virginia Senate

Committee on the Judiciary

Minutes for March 26, 2021, 3:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary met on March 26, 2021, 3:00 PM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Trump, Weld, Azinger, Grady, Maynard, Phillips, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Woodrum, Beach, Caputo, Lindsay, Romano, Woelfel

Members absent: Senators Blair, Takubo

A silent roll call being taken, the presence of a quorum was established.

On motion of Senator Weld, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

H. B. 2427 - Authorizing the Department of Health and Human Resources to promulgate legislative rules.

Debra Graham, Counsel, explained the bill, the proposed amendment and title amendment, and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee laid over H. B. 2427.

S. B. 470 - Limiting release of certain personal information maintained by state agencies.

Liz Schindzielorz, Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute for committee substitute, and responded to questions.

With leave of the committee, Thomas Kleeh, United States District Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of West Virginia, addressed the committee, and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee amended the committee substitute for committee substitute on page 5, subdivision (1), subsection (h), to state that a person who willfully refuses to remove information within 24 hours of receipt of the written request, is guilty of a

misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than \$1,000, or confined for up to six months, or both fined and confined.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee agreed to the committee substitute for committee substitute as amended.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee reported the committee substitute for committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

On Motion of Senator Weld the committee adjourned.

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Charles S. Trump

Chair

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Clerk/Analyst